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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action, it is respectfully requested that the following amendments be made.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at Page 1, Line 4 and ending at Page 1, Line 13:

The present invention is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/564,740, filed May 4, 2000 which claims priority to Provisional Application Serial No. 60/132,622, filed May 5, 1999, and entitled AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE BATTERY CHARGING SYSTEM; U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/165,208, filed November 12, 1999, and entitled ENERGY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE; and Provisional Application Serial No. 60/175,762, filed January 12, 2000, and entitled ENERGY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.



IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-16.